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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/551,018  
Applicants : **Okuyama RYOICHI et al.**  
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Title : **DIRECT METHANOL TYPE FUEL CELL  
AND METHOD OF PREVENTING ELUTION  
OF ITS FUEL POLE, QUALITY CONTROL  
METHOD AND OPERATION METHOD**  
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**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2009, the Applicants hereby elect without traverse, Group II claims 21-24

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.